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## NEVADA STATE HEALTH DIVISION NEWS RELEASE

## **Health Division Names Two New Bureau Chiefs**

Deborah Harris, Bureau of Child, Family and Community Wellness Chief; Laura Hale, Bureau of Health Care Quality and Compliance Chief

Carson City – Nevada State Health Division (NSHD) Administrator Richard Whitley announced today the appointment of Deborah Harris as Chief of the Bureau of Child, Family and Community Wellness (BCFCW). Harris previously served as the Personnel Officer III and Human Resource Chief for the Division of Child and Family Services. As Chief of BCFCW, Harris will oversee numerous programs such as: Immunization, Maternal and Child Health, Chronic Disease, Women's Health Connection, Office of Minority Health, Fitness and Wellness.

Harris holds a baccalaureate degree in Communication Studies from the University of California, Santa Barbara and a Master's degree in Organizational Management from the University of Phoenix, Reno, NV. Additionally, she completed the Certified Public Manager's Program with the Nevada's Department of Personnel.

Administrator Whitley also appointed Laura Hale as the Chief of Health Care Quality and Compliance (HCQC). Hale will oversee three sections: Health Facilities, Medical Laboratories and Radiological Health. Prior to her recent promotion, Hale served as Chief of Grants Management Unit in the Department of Health and Human Services. Prior to this position, she worked in the Department of Education, administering programs for adult and alternative education, including policy and procedures development in coordination with a statewide advisory committee.

Hale received her Bachelor of Arts in Sociology from Keene State College in New Hampshire and her Master of Arts in Sociology from the University of California, Davis.

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